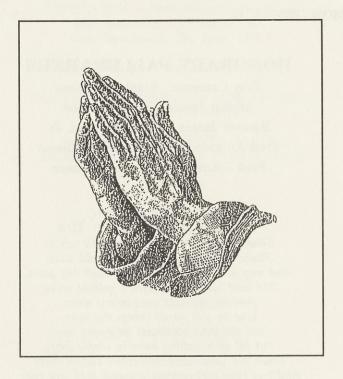
IN LOVING MEMORY Of LEON FRANK TOWNSEND



Saturday, August 6, 1994 1:30 P.M.

House of Winston Memorial Chapel

9501 South Vermont Avenue Los Angeles, California

Pastor Odell Heard
Officiant

ACTIVE PALLBEARERS

KEN BRUNNER
WILLIAM GARDNER
DELMON OWENS, JR.

ROBERT GARDNER
JIMMY LEWIS
J.T. TURNER

HONORARY PALLBEARERS

Tony Cameron - Stanley Johnson
Adrian James - Eric Townsend
Edward James - Leon Townsend, Jr.
Fred Johnson, Sr. - Courtney Williams
Fred Johnson, Jr. - Leslie Johnson

When I Must Leave You

When I must leave you for a little while, Please do not grieve and shed wild tears, And hug your sorrow to you through the years, But start out bravely with a gallant smile; And for my sake, and in my name, Live on and do all things the same. Feed not your loneliness on empty days, But fill each waking hour in useful ways, Reach out your hand in comfort and in cheer, And I in turn will comfort you and hold you near; And never, never be afraid to die, For I am waiting for you in the sky!

Directors House of Winston Mortuary

9501 So. Vermont Avenue Los Angeles, California 90044 (213) 757-2271 Mary Louise Winston, President

ORDER OF SERVICE

PROCESSIONAL "What A Friend We Have In Jesus"

SCRIPTURES — Bro. Delmon Owens, Jr. Old Testament - Proverbs 3:5-7 New Testament - St. John 14:1-6

PRAYER - Bro. Melvin Washington

DUET — Sheri Whitten and Jeffery Jackson "Hard To Say Goodbye'

ACKNOWLEDGEMENTS, CARDS, TELEGRAMS, ETC. — Sis. Frances James

REMARKS

OBITUARY (Read Silently)

SOLO — V. Clack "Last Mile Of The Way"

EULOGY Pastor Odell Heard

THE PARTING VIEW

RECESSIONAL "Soon And Very Soon"

INTERMENT Inglewood Park Cemetery

720 East Florence Avenue Inglewood, California

OBITUARY

God saw he was getting weary and did what He knew was best. He came and stood beside him and whispered "Leon, come and rest". He bid no one a last farewell not even a goodbye. He was gone before we knew it, and only God knows why.

LEON FRANK TOWNSEND was born to Frank and Clarissa Townsend on January 31, 1937 in Los Angeles. His twin sister, Leona, died at birth and both parents as well as a brother, James, preceded him in death.

Leon's early years were spent attending Wadsworth Elementary, George Washington Carver Junior High, and Thomas Jefferson High School. He was baptized at an early age at Phillips Temple Church of Los Angeles.

In 1959, he united in marriage with Dorothy Remo and to this union, four children were born: Sandra Townsend, Cheryl Hollier, Leon Townsend, Jr., and Eric Townsend. Leon and Dorothy were married for thirty-five years. He was a devoted husband who loved his family in his own quiet way.

Leon retired December 31, 1992 from the Los Angeles Department of Water and Power after thirty years of dedicated service.

Leon answered the master's call on July 30, 1994. He leaves to mourn his passing: a loving and devoted wife, Dorothy; two sons, two daughters, six granddaughters; one brother, Edward James; one son-in-law, Derryl Hollier; two brothers-in-law, Fred Johnson and Jack Johnson; three sisters-in-law, Alma Jackson and Jack Johnson; three sisters-in-law, Alma Jackson, Marilyn Johnson, and Frances James; one goddaughter, Stephanie Arline; nieces, nephews, and a host of relatives and friends.

We loved him but God loved him best.

